

CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY

COUNCIL OF THE FACULTY OF ARTS AND SCIENCE

Minutes of the meeting held on Friday, May 1, 1987

Present: C. Bertrand, Chair; L. Bonin, Secretary;
C. Foster; J. Princz; D. Dicks; M. Anvari;
T. Arbuckle-Maag; G. Auchinachie; M. Barlow;
C. Barton; L. Crysler; G. Decarie; G. Dewey;
M. Doughty; W. Gilsdorf; W. Hooper; W. Knitter;
J. McGraw; K. Mukherji; F. Muller; S. Mullett;
G. Newsham; M. Oppenheim; E. Preston; H. Proppe; J. Ryan;
R. Kilgour (for W. Sellers); D. Shapiro; R. Martin;
G. Trudel; L. Van Toch; D. Jean; S. Maguire;
S. O'Hara; A. Macpherson; S. Robertson; I. Sideco.

Absent with Regrets:

P. Albert; F. Shlosser; G. Valaskakis; J. Locke;
D. Markiewicz; R. Pallen; M. Verthuy.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:40 p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

Item 7 was removed and the revised agenda was approved.

3. Approval of Minutes of April 3, 1987

87-4-1 It was moved and seconded (Robertson/Muller) to approve
the Minutes of April 3, 1987. Vote: Carried.

4. Chairperson's Remarks

The graduation meeting of Council will be held Wednesday,
May 27th, 9:30 to 12:00 in AD-131 (Loyola).

Another agreement has been reached and signed as a result
of the China Trip. This agreement is with Shanghai
International Studies University in the area of Educational
Technology and it has potential for expansion into TESL and
Communication Studies.

It has also been agreed that work will begin on the establish-
ment of a Canada-Quebec Studies Centre in Shanghai. This
will be a cooperative venture among Concordia, Laval and
Shanghai International Studies University and will depend on
outside funding.

5. Questions and Announcements

It was asked if students would be expected to absorb the entire cost of field trips associated with courses next year.

C. Bertrand said that the initial assumption of having field trips covered by the academic materials fee was reversed and they are now considered to be extraordinary expenses. He also thought the university must have paid a portion of the cost in the past and might continue to do so. C. Bertrand to check policy and report on May 27th.

The matter of the extensive renovations already started on the ER Annex - 2155 Guy, without prior notification to anyone from the Planning Department, was drawn to Council's attention. ER Annex houses the Department of Sociology, the Applied Psychology Centre and the Centre for Research and Human Development. The Dean assured Council that Vice-Dean Albert was already working on this issue.

The unhappiness of the students in the Communication Studies Department with the current A-L and M-Z split in convocation ceremonies was noted. C. Bertrand said that there would be no change in the ceremonies this year and that he would be speaking once again with Mr. Adams on this subject in mid-August. He said that he would like to receive input from students on this matter. It was mentioned that this matter was twice raised at the level of the Board of Governors and was being looked at very seriously.

In response to a question about the move of departments from the Centennial Building, the Dean replied that these moves were certain as the plan was to close and sell the building which required complete renovation.

Many members of Council expressed displeasure with the way in which The Gazette had incorrectly highlighted a recent sociological survey, thereby informing the public that this university is filled with cheaters and drug users. Members felt that more negative than positive articles were appearing and wondered who was in charge of molding Concordia's image. The role of The Thursday Report was queried; in this instance they had published a biased report. Some members felt that more rebuttals or challenges to various articles ought to be written by the Public Relations Department. C. Bertrand agreed to convey Council's concern to the appropriate university bodies.

6. Notice of Election (Academic Programmes Committee)

Member to serve a 3-year term, replacing B. Slack. Please note that this Committee meets on Tuesday mornings.

7. Elections (Refer Document ASFC 87-3-D2 - Revised)
Nominations were received and elections were held for several committees. The results are as follows:

a) Arts and Science Committee to Supervise Elections
(three positions, one-year term)

R.T. Cronin, S.J.	Biology	Acclaimed
V.J. McNamara	Philosophy	Acclaimed
S.J. Sullivan	Exercise Science	Acclaimed

b) Arts and Science Curriculum Committee
(three positions, three-year term)

G. Breton	Psychology	Acclaimed
R. Westbury	Chemistry	Acclaimed
J. Woodsworth	Etudes françaises	Acclaimed

c) Committee on General Education
(three positions, one-year term)

Since this Committee has met only once or twice in the last few years and since their future role is uncertain, it was decided to postpone this election.

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It was moved and seconded (Gilsdorf/Trudel) to table the election of three members to the Committee on General Education until 27 May, 1987, pending a recommendation from Steering Committee.

d) Faculty Honours Committee
(one position, two-year term)

R. Coyte	Political Science	Elected
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e) Student Request Committee
(two positions, two-year term)

T. Gray	Psychology	Elected
L. Van Toch	Etudes françaises	Elected

f) Arts and Science Faculty Panel (Academic Regulations Regarding Cheating)
(one position, one-year term as leave replacement for D. Frost)

J. Ornstein	Philosophy	Elected
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g) Arts and Science Faculty Committee on the Status of Women
(three positions, one-year term)

M. Brian	Mathematics	Elected
E. Egan	Philosophy	Elected
S. Mullett	Philosophy	Elected

h) Humanities Graduate Studies Committee

i) (one position, two-year term)

J. Woodsworth	Etudes françaises	Elected
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ii)(one position, one-year term as leave replacement for M. Despland)

C. Davis	Religion	Elected
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i) Graduate Awards Committee
(two positions, two-year term)

M. Komoda	Psychology	Elected
N. Metallinos	Communication Studies	Elected

j) Board of Graduate Studies
(four positions, three-year terms)

F. Chalk	History	Elected
M. Charland	Communication Studies	Elected
A. English	Chemistry	Elected
N. Segalowitz	Psychology	Elected

k) Senate

i) (two positions from F/T faculty, three-year term)

H. Chorney	Political Science	Elected
K. Waters	English	Elected

ii)(one position from the P/T faculty, three-year term)

S. Murray	TESL	Elected
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l) University Library Committee
(three positions, three-year term)

L. Colebrook	Chemistry	Elected
J. Herz	English	Elected
H. Ladd	Psychology	Elected

The Dean thanked P. Regimbald and S. Robertson for fine work as scrutineers and ballot counters.

8. Proposed Library Acquisition Formula

C. Bertrand proposed that Council generally discuss the the subject before dealing with any motions in formal session. The outcome of Council's discussion would then be forwarded to the Academic Services Committee of Senate.

It was noted that the various universities have difficulty collaborating and coordinating their serials holdings in an organized fashion. Very little of this is done.

The Science departments, operating with an essentially zero budget for some years, find it impossible to increase their monograph holdings. It was noted that the proposed formula called for 80% of periodical holdings to be protected; departments would then have to decide how to protect monograph holdings. Also 30% of the formula was earmarked for non-quantifiable factors. Departments would be asked to make a case for special problems. It was hoped that a future budget would allow indexing for inflation. Members agreed that research was beginning to suffer as holdings were at a minimal level in all areas.

Council moved back into formal session.

87-4-3 The following two-part motion was moved and seconded (Arbuckle-Maag/McGraw):

- 1) Arts and Science Faculty Council supports the proposed allocation model for the 1987/88 library acquisitions budget,

and

- 2) strongly recommends that the funding of library acquisitions be assigned a higher priority in the overall university budget, through indexation of the library budget or by other means, so that 100% of current serials holdings can be maintained while still permitting each subject fund to buy an appropriate number of monographs.
- Vote: Unanimously carried.

9. Curriculum Committee Reports

- a) Undergraduate Curriculum Course Changes - 1988-89
 Part I and Part II ASFC 87-4-D1 Report 54U
 D. Dicks thanked the members of his Committee (G. Breton, M. Foster, P. d'Hollander, G. Newsham and J. Ryan) and his Assistant, C. Brown, for the excellent work done all year. It was moved and seconded (Dicks/Ryan) that Part I (Pages 1-48) of Report 54U be accepted.

87-4-4

D. Dicks noted that parts of the Communication Studies proposal would be deleted from the proposal at this time due to technical problems. Remove the section on page 9 "Selection process of students during early registration" to the end of page 9.

On page 2, under CLAS 230³: "The Near Eastern origins..."

On page 29, under PHYS 273: it was suggested that "mankind's ability" be changed to "humanity's ability".

On page 48, under LBCL 39B(6), final line of first paragraph, delete underlining of "and" between the titles of the books, and rearrange listing of titles so that Frankstein is listed after Faust.

On page 22, A-1 under Course changes MATH 281⁶ : the reference should be MATH 282³, MATH 283³ rather than MATH 262³ and 263³. Under Course deletions, MATH 261⁶, rather than 2616.

On page 25, MATH 362(3): the prerequisite should read "MATH 262; MATH 282 previously or concurrently".

Vote: Approved.

87-4-5

It was moved and seconded (Dicks/Crysler) to accept Part II, pages 1-26, of the Undergraduate Curriculum Course Changes - 1988-89 Report 54U.

One page was added to this document: page 14 Education - (cont'd)

One member suggest that, on page 19, with reference to ENGL 212, this course should count for credit. It was explained that while the course was worthwhile it was considered somewhat as a service course; the department wished to preserve some elective flexibility among its offerings and therefore did not have the leeway to grant credit for this course. It was felt that a more appropriate way to deal with this problem would be to insert, in the listings under Specializations, Majors and Honours, the phrase: "15 Electives: any English course from ENGL 224 to 449" and to delete the note "This course may not count for credit within any English programme" under entries of ENGL 211, 212 and 213.

On page 19, under ENGL 212³ in the NOTE, "unless ENGL 206 has been completed..."

On page 1, final line, "...student takes the requisite course".

Vote: Approved.

- b) Graduate Curriculum Course Changes - 1988-89 Report 55G
ASFC 87-4-D2

Pages 1-12 dealing with the M.A. in Education Technology will be considered on 27 May as responses to suggested modifications have not yet been received.

87-4-6

It was moved and seconded (Dicks/Knitter) that the major modifications to the Diploma in Computer Assisted Learning, page 13, be accepted. Vote: Carried.

87-4-7

It was moved and seconded (Dicks/Knitter) that the major modifications to the Diploma in Early Childhood Education, pages 14-25, be accepted. Vote: Carried.

87-4-8

It was moved and seconded (Dicks/Cronin) that the major modifications in Biology, pages 26-27, be accepted. Vote: Carried.

- 87-4-9 It was moved and seconded (Dicks/Newsham) that the major modifications to the M.A. in Applied Linguistics, following the BGS Appraisal, on pages numbered 2,3 and 4, be accepted.
- On page 2 under Proposed Modification, point 3 should read: "write a research paper, APLI 696 (3 cr.)".
Vote: Carried.
- 87-4-10 It was moved and seconded (Dicks/Ryan) that the major modifications to the Ph.D. (Communication) listed in the Addendum to ASFC 87-4-D2 be accepted.
Vote: Carried.
- c) Report 56G - Proposed new graduate programme
M.A. (Theological Studies) ASFC 87-4-D3
- 87-4-11 It was moved and seconded (Dicks/Ryan) that the proposed M.A. (Theological Studies) be approved.
- D. Dicks explained that this was a summary document; supporting documents indicated that there was an opportunity for collaboration with McGill but that details of this collaboration were not yet worked out. Council is being asked to approve a potentially independent programme. The proposal would come before Council again when and if collaboration proved fruitful and it was decided that a joint proposal was the route to take.
- In response to a concern raised about funding, it was stated that the Department already offered a 12-credit unit in conjunction with Religion at no extra cost and that this unit would move into the new programme. Thus the programme did not require additional funding.
- Regarding the supervision of theses, six to eight are now handled every year; this is not seen as a problem.
- 87-4-12 While being supportive of the proposed programme in principle, some members wished more time to study the support documents. Thus, it was moved and seconded (McGraw/Gilsdorf) that discussion of the proposed M.A. (Theological Studies) be tabled until 27 May.
Vote: Carried.

The Dean congratulated the Curriculum Committee for its excellent work.

10. Other Business

C. Bertrand circulated a document entitled "Guidelines for the Planning Process at Concordia", which was received from Dr. F.R. Whyte, Chair of the Senate Academic Planning and Priorities Committee. This document is to be read in context with all other documents received thus far which pertain to the discussion on the planning process. Planning discussions will resume in the Fall so that a report may be prepared for November or December. One important point made in this document is that departments are responsible for planning their own operations; this is what Council has already stressed.

11. Next Meeting

Wednesday, May 27th, 9:30 a.m. in AD-131. Graduation lists will be approved at this meeting. Members were urged to attend so as to have a quorum.

12. Adjournment

It was moved and seconded (Oppenheim/Barlow) that the meeting adjourn at 4:00 p.m.

Vote: Carried